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In re U.S. Patent Application of)
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For: NUCLEIC ACID ARRAYS AND METHOD) Fax 703-746-5149
FOR DETECTING NUCLEIC ACID BY)
USING ARRAYS OF NUCLEIC ACID ARRAYS)
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Attorney Docket No. HIRA.0019)

Honorable Assistant Commissioner
for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants request that the time for taking action in this case be extended pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for **one (1) month**. The fee set in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 for the extension of time is **\$110.00**.

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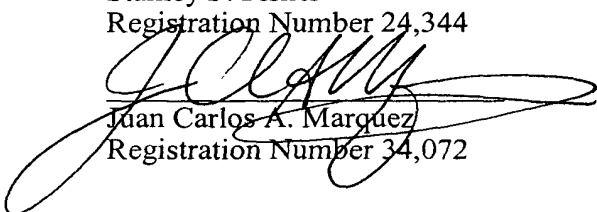
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